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THERE is some room for scandal in connection with the building of the capitol of Texas and the Dallas News is busy unfolding it.

THE friendly criticism of Von Ranke by our venerable historian, Bancroft, is a tribute that will not escape the readers of our sixth page.

OUR Helena correspondent, in a letter published on the second page, makes a manly correction that cannot fail to fix the high estimate the people of Arkansas and Mississippi had formed of him from his fearless performance of duty.

THE Montgomery Advertiser has made a careful estimate of the votes pledged by the counties of Alabama to the candidates for Governor, from which we learn that Clayton has 143 out of a total of 720 delegates, Dawson has 178, McKelvey 129, and Clay 110.

COL. BOB LORRY has begun his canvass as Governor, and, as will be seen from our Jackson letter on the third page, has met with a warm reception from the people of that town, who, our correspondent says, desire to see him endorsed by West Tennessee in the convention.

MR. GLADSTONE yesterday made another very effective speech for home rule, this time before a Liberal meeting at London. He is fixed and unalterable in his purpose, and as unyielding as a rock in the prime of life and the full vigor of manhood. He is, indeed, the "grand old man."

OUR Washington correspondent is like the horse that kicked before he was spurred. He thinks the Democratic party is going to lose its majority in the House this fall and he raises up Republican Ohio before the eyes of our readers to frighten them into the belief that all is lost. But Ohio won't scare worth a darn. It's Republican strength is an old story.

THE Knoxville Tribune says there is a very general feeling throughout East Tennessee that there should be a caucus of East Tennessee delegates to the Judicial Convention as early as the morning of June 8th, in Nashville, for the purpose of reducing the East Tennessee candidates for Supreme Judge from nine to two.

MAXWELL, the murderer of the unfortunate Preller, as may be learned from the report on the second page, is doing a great deal of lying in an endeavor to exculpate himself from the charge of deliberate murder, but it won't have any effect to change the jury from a verdict in accordance with the facts as they have been adduced by competent testimony.

EVERY American will rejoice to know that the genial octogenarian Autocrat of the Breakfast Table has been willingly permitted to assert his personal away in England, where he has been received as if an old heart-broken friend returned home after a long absence. The report of his reception at Liverpool and London, on the second page, is of unusual interest.

THE opinions expressed by many well known citizens in yesterday's APPEAL as to the gas question now before the Taxing District Council, are reinforced by a number of interviews printed on another page. So far, it is impossible to decide as to which side has the preponderance, so we intend to continue interviewing until we have exhausted the more influential classes of the community.

MR. RANDALL, in the legislative, executive and judicial appropriations bill now before the House, has introduced a proviso in regard to the appropriation for the Civil Service Commission which reads, "that the appropriation shall be available only when the rules of the Civil Service Commission are so framed as that the names of all applicants for official appointment from any one State found duly qualified on examination, and without regard to age, shall be sent to the head of a department or other officer charged with making an appointment." This is a very good proviso, and one that no real civil service man can object to. Without interfering with the real object and work of the commission, it gives the heads of departments an opportunity of controlling the appointments of men declared capable by the commission.

THE Boston Herald suggests, upon a careful review of the situation of the Indians, that a "wise statesmanship" regarding them should concern itself with three leading aims: (1) To enable any Indians, as soon as they are desirous of doing so, to take land in individual ownership for farming or grazing purposes—practically a homestead law for Indians. (2) To enable all Indians who thus take land in severalty to become citizens in the fullest sense, subject to the law in all their rights and possessions. (3) To educate all the Indians, and especially all their children, in the English language and industries, in order that they may be able to deal intelligently with their neighbors." By such a plan the problem of the Indian's future could be solved at once, and Congress should make a law enforcing it.

THE POLITICAL OUTLOOK.

DEMOCRATIC CONGRESSMEN BE COMING UNEASY ABOUT

Their Chances in the Coming Fall Elections—Some of the Possible Results.

SPECIAL TO THE APPEAL.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—The coming fall elections are the cause of considerable anxiety to the Democrats in the House. Many of them believe that in view of the lack of harmony in the party the Republicans will have a majority in the next House, and several assert that they would prefer this to the case rather than that the Democrats should still remain in nominal control, but with a majority too small to be effective or reliable. Both Ohio and Indiana have been redistricted, and many changes in the districts of the States are looked for. In Ohio the redistricting may be pronounced unconstitutional, and in the event the new districts will be conducted in the old districts. No nominations in the State have yet been made, nor will they be until the constitutional amendment of the redistricting is settled. The Democrats expect to gain by the redistricting of Indiana, and Mr. Kidd, who is now contesting Mr. Steele's seat, will probably be elected, as Steele has been cut out of his district. Judge Holman and Watson are all right, and Lyrry, Democrat, and Tom Browne, Republican, have both been re-nominated in their respective districts. Judges Turry and May will contest the nomination of Bynum, and the chances are in favor of Turry if he wants it. Messrs. Kleiner, Ward and Cobb have declined a re-nomination. State Senator McCullough and Mr. Menzies are both anxious to come in Mr. Keiser's place. Mr. Ward's district will undoubtedly go to a Republican, and J. H. O'Neil has been nominated to succeed Mr. Cobb. It is stated that throughout the State, and particularly in Bynum's district, the Democrats are demoralized by opposition to the administration.

The Virginia Democrats in the present House will probably all be re-nominated except John Dan'l, who has been elected to the Senate. Both Tucker and Barbour have declined a re-nomination, but those who have been mentioned as their successors have declined to run, and it is believed that both the gentlemen named will be returned.

MR. BLAIR introduced a bill to pay Mrs. Charlotte Smith of this city the sum of \$5,000, for services rendered in the Federal hospitals at Paducah, Ky., and Memphis, Tenn., as a volunteer nurse to the sick and wounded, and furnishing milk to them from 1862 to 1864.

A dispatch from the United States Minister at Paris, F. H. Winston, to Secretary Bayard, dated May 24, announces that Thomas Steyens, the special correspondent of Ouing, who is making the tour of the world on a bicycle, was turned back on the frontier of Afghanistan and has been forced to retrace his steps to Constantinople. From here he will seek to work his way through India. This will make a very much longer journey for him, but from the spirit which he has shown there is little reason to doubt the success of his trip, provided he is not made the victim of a mob.

ORDER OF BUSINESS IN THE SENATE.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—Republican Senators held an order of business caucus this morning, but accomplished little besides agreeing to take up at once the bill to forfeit the Northern Pacific land grant from Wallula, to Portland and to refer the House a resolution to a special committee, of which Gen. Lo is chairman. The latter action was taken in spite of protests of members of the Committee on Education and Labor. The caucus Committee was taken to task for having fixed "an order of business" three or four weeks ago, without giving Senators who are not members of the committee a chance to be heard. Senator Platt was asked not to press his open executive session resolution to a vote at present, but to let it go over to next session. He did not assent to this, but no positive understanding was reached upon the subject.

AMERICAN STEAMSHIPS IN THE COAST-WISE TRADE.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—Senator Conger to-day introduced in the Senate a bill to amend section 4444 of the Revised Statutes, so as to include "American built and registered steamships regularly engaged in the coastwise service in whole or in part, and transporting the United States mails among the vessels exempt by the provisions of that section from compliance with State laws requiring vessels entering or leaving State ports to take a pilot."

CABINET MEETING.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—All the executive departments were represented at the Cabinet meeting to-day. The session lasted about three hours and was mainly devoted to the consideration of the Canadian fishery troubles, naval affairs and the opposition to construction of a railroad through the Indian Territory.

ARTIFICIAL PROPAGATION OF LOBSTERS.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—Reports just received from the marine station of the United States Fish Commission at Wood's Holl, Massachusetts, announce the complete success of the attempts recently begun to propagate lobsters artificially on a practical scale.

FORTIFICATION OF WINES.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—The report submitted by Representative Harris, from the Committee on Ways and Means, recommending the passage of a bill amending the laws in relation to the fortification of wines, contains the following explanation of the bill: "The principal feature of the bill providing for the fortification of wines for export is analogous to existing provisions of law authorizing the transfer of spirits free of tax to manufacturing warehouses, to be used in compounding medicines, perfumery, cosmetics, and other liquors for export. It is true that the spirits used in the manufacture of medicines, etc., are so used unadorned in warehouses. While the bill provides for the fortification of wines alongside of the exporting and also at the point of departure, whenever the exportation is to be effected by land carriage, in which latter case provision is made for the sealing of the packages and of the vehicles containing the same." The bill has the approval of both the Secretary of

the Treasury and Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

INDIAN DEGRADATION CLAIMS.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—The House Committee on Indian Affairs have under consideration a bill to refer all claims for Indian degradations committed subsequent to 1848 to a commission to be appointed by the President. It is estimated that the aggregate amount of these claims will be about \$14,000,000.

LAMAR, MISS.

Death of One of the Best Known Citizens in the County.

SPECIAL TO THE APPEAL.

LAMAR, MISS., May 27.—A truly good and noble man has fallen. Dr. G. W. Smith, an aged and respected citizen of this vicinity departed this life in the seventy-ninth year of his age. Dr. Smith came to Marshall county in the early settlement of the northern portion of the State, and as a physician soon won a large and lucrative practice, from which he retired after nearly twenty years of faithful service in alleviating the sufferings of humanity. The Doctor was also a planter, and in the latter part of his life a merchant, and in every calling of his life successful. For him, it was a life of meekness and success. Dr. Smith had been in feeble health for more than twelve months past, but was taken with a stroke of paralysis some thirty-two hours before he breathed his last, giving time for all his children and grandchildren to reach him. Mrs. Mollie Johnson of New York City, who is on her way to the doctor, died quietly and without a struggle at 3 o'clock p.m. to-day. It would in a short notice be impossible to do justice to the many noble and excellent qualities of so good a man, for truly he was one of nature's noblemen; just and upright in all his dealings, true in all his relations of life, a kind and obliging husband, a devoted father, a generous neighbor and liberal in every call of need or charitable enterprise.

MARRIED ON MAY 26, 1886, at LAMAR, MISS., by the Rev. D. C. Rankin of Holly Springs, assisted by the Rev. H. Morrison, Mr. Thomas Edward Moody and Miss Pinkie M. Morrison, all of Lamar, Miss.

THE FREE CHURCH DEPUTIES.

The Government's Expulsion Bill Submitted to the Members.

PARIS, May 27.—This government submitted its expulsion bill to the Chamber of Deputies this evening and demanded urgency for its consideration. The bill empowers the government to prohibit all members of the families which formerly reigned in France from remaining within the country, under a penalty of five years' imprisonment. The Minister of the Interior is to notify the members of the prohibition against them by issuing a decree demanding them to depart. In submitting the bill the government announces its readiness to give immediate effect to the expulsions.

M. DeMole, Minister of Justice, read the preamble to the bill. It says that when the republic abrogated former decrees it was believed the princes would respect the national institutions. On the contrary, however, they had seized every chance to do injury to the republic. The time had arrived, therefore, to put an end to the scheme. M. DeMole was frequently interrupted by shouts from members of the Right. Comte de Maille was conspicuous in this respect, and was finally called to order by the President of the Chamber.

The House voted urgency for the bill, and referred the measure to the bureau.

M. Basile's proposal to confiscate the property of former reigning families, and with the proceeds derived from its sale to employ a fund for aged and diseased citizens, was also referred to the bureau.

The Government introduced a resolution in favor of the separation of church and state.

Henri Rochefort will head the demonstration to be made to-morrow against M. Jules Ferry at the funeral of Col. Herberger, one of the most conspicuous victims of the Tongueh war, which was inaugurated and carried on, Rochefort contends, under the inspiration of M. Ferry.

Advices from Japan state that the cholera in the southern part of the country is increasing.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

Negro Desperately Wounded by an Officer—The Sheffield Railroad.

SPECIAL TO THE APPEAL.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., May 27.—Jim Simmons, a negro section hand, was desperately wounded by a policeman near the Coalburg depot shortly after midnight last night. Several pistol shots had been heard in the neighborhood of the depot and officers Prater and Prather went out to see what was up. They came upon several negroes, who, after learning what they were after, took to their heels. Prater first fired his pistol at one of them. Shortly afterward Simmons was hit with a bullet through the chest. He was carried to the City Prison and proper attention to the doctors say he will doubtless die. The officers and another eye-witness say Simmons had a pistol leveled at Anderson when Prather fired. The negro is wanted in Georgia for some revenue crookedness.

Col. Enoch Ensley, who, both on his own account and the Pratt Coal and Iron Company's, is interested in the railroad from Sheffield to this place, said here to-day it is to be pushed through now.

TERRIFIC HAIL-STORM IN FRANCE.

Bordeaux, May 27.—During a violent storm here last evening, hailstones of an enormous size fell. A child was killed by hail-stones while being carried in its mother's arms. A number of persons were injured, and much property was destroyed.

HAVE used Tongline in a case of chronic rheumatism with very satisfactory results; in fact, it has done what other remedies have failed to do; am well pleased with it, and consider the preparation a very reliable one. F. A. SLAUGHTER, M.D., Holte, Tex.

EX-TREASURER SPINNER SERIOUSLY ILL.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., May 27.—Advices from Pablo Beach, summer suburb of this city, state that Gen. F. E. Spinner, ex-treasurer of the United States Treasury, is ill and threatened with pneumonia. Owing to his advanced age, eighty-five years, it is feared that he may not recover.

MR. GLADSTONE'S SPEECH

BEFORE THE GENERAL LIBERAL MEETING AT LONDON.

The Only Concession That Will Be Made in the Home Rule Bill—The Government's Policy.

LONDON, May 27.—The general Liberal meeting held to-day was attended by 250 members of Parliament. Mr. Gladstone was very vigorous and animated in his address. He said that nobody would be committed to the support of the home rule bill by listening, without a protest or objection to what he had to say in favor of the measure, because he desired the fullest freedom to prevail in the Liberal party in respect to it. Lord Salisbury's recent speech, in which he said the business of England and Ireland was to govern, had decided the condition of the controversy, because he was the official spokesman of the opposition. The Irish policy of the government's opponents being therefore coercion, the importance of settling the Irish question now was intensified. It had been proposed to settle the matter by the adoption of an abstract resolution affirming the principle of home rule for Ireland, but Mr. Gladstone thought the course proposed by the government would answer better. An endeavor had been made to emasculate the principle of autonomy for Ireland and convert the bill into a delusion and a snare. Continuing, the Premier said the home rule bill would be in no way committed to the support of the Irish land purchase bill, the latter being a matter which would remain wholly within the power of the Imperial Parliament, even after the adoption of the home rule bill. Let those who said the adoption of home rule to Ireland would impair the Imperial authority, the speaker went on, remember that the Imperial Parliament was impotent and unable to give itself its own power, which belonged to the nation.

MR. GLADSTONE

warmly eulogized Lord Hartington, who, he said, possessed integrity and manliness. The Premier, however, at no period during his speech, made any allusion to Mr. Chamberlain. Concerning the matter of concessions, Mr. Gladstone said the government was willing to submit to Parliament a plan entitling Irish representatives to a vote in the Imperial Parliament whenever proposals of taxation affecting Ireland were for consideration. However, if the House of Commons so wished, the government was ready to undertake the responsibility of entitling the Irish to be heard in the Imperial Parliament on Imperial or reserved questions. Changes in the home rule bill to accomplish these results would, however, entail a reconstruction of the measure. The government, therefore, thought that, after the second reading of the bill, it might be postponed until the autumn session of Parliament, or the government might resubmit Parliament to an early session in 1887 and then again introduce the bill with such amendments as during the interval had been deemed advisable without prejudice to the principle of the bill. Mr. Gladstone himself thought the latter method the preferable one, as it would give longer time for the consideration of proposed changes in the measure. The government would keep the issue fairly and clearly before the

PEOPLE OF THE THREE NATIONS, whose desire it was, he hoped, to remain united for all substantial purposes.

At the conclusion of Mr. Gladstone's address Mr. Lewis Lawley Delwyn, Liberal Member of Parliament for the town of Swansea, rose and declared that he had been authorized to speak for the Welsh dissidents, who were in making a declaration, and that was that the concessions offered by the Premier were acceptable to the Welsh dissidents and were by him accepted.

Mr. Gladstone of the united support of all the Welsh dissidents, who were in making a declaration, and that was that the concessions offered by the Premier were acceptable to the Welsh dissidents and were by him accepted.

THE PAUL MAIL GAZETTE publishes an account of the meeting with the following head lines: "The Gileads at the Foreign Office—The Ephraimites Submit to a New Shibboleth—The Irish Parliament Will Endorse the Liberty Party in the Home Rule Bill—The Irish Vote a Poor Compensation—The Libera's Must Eat Grass in the Wilderness Before They Resign the Position They Gained in 1880." When Gladstone and Hartington rode for the last time at the Home Rulers.

Mr. Chamberlain and his followers will hold another meeting to-morrow to decide upon their attitude with reference to the proposed modifications of the home rule bill.

IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

this evening Mr. Norris, Conservative, asked whether the government still regarded the home rule and Irish land purchase bill as inseparably connected.

Mr. Gladstone replied that he had nothing to add to the speech which he made when he introduced the land purchase bill.

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